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PUBLICATION NO.	PUBLICATION DATE	BASIS FOR RELEVANCE
DE 201 05 676 U1	June 28, 2001	A paint coating bath for vehicle bodies has guide rails along each side above the bath. Vehicle bodies are mounted on support frame and held in a tilt mounting at the ends of pairs of supports arms (50) mounted on self propelled trolleys running along the rails. The support arms, and the tilt mountings, are independently servo driven by drives that do not dip into the bath. The paint coating bath is one of a number of treatment bath along the paint line. The dual tilt action of the handling system enables steep sided compact baths to be used.

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DE 202 03 407 U1	June 27, 2002	The components to be treated (19) are suspended from a conveyor (17) and are passed through an undulating tunnel (2). The components are exposed to ultra violet light, UV, and pass through a gas that is heavier than air, carbon dioxide. The gas is contained (14) is a central trough section (9).
DE 93 12 809 U1	December 23, 1993	An ultraviolet-radiation system is used for drying UV-lacquers and printing inks, e.g. on compact discs 4. The objects 4 to be dried are moved on a transport unit 7. In parallel to the axis of a UV-source 3, two reflectors 1, 2 are located rotably in such way that they may be positioned in an open or a closed position. The closed position is used as a protection for the objects 4 in cases where the transportation process is interrupted.
DE-AS 1 097 369	January 12, 1961	A tunnel-like dryer for car bodies has infrared radiators 5, 6, 7, which are positioned at side walls 3 and ceiling 4. At the bottom 8 of the tunnel, which is built with steps, dark radiators 9 are used. Radiators 5 are positioned at an angle relative to a longitudinal axis of the tunnel. Lateral radiators 9 include an angle relative to the horizontal. This configuration ensures a uniform drying of the car bodies.
CH-PS 251 961	November 30, 1947	Infrared lamps 3 in reflectors 4 are used in a dryer for objects. Infrared lamps 3 are positioned in groups, the orientation of which may be changed in order to match the actual size of the object to be dried. The orientation of each lamp in its reflector 4 may be adjusted in order to achieve a uniform spatial distribution of infrared radiation.
DE 101 53 878 A1	May 22, 2003	An arrangement for radiation hardening, comprises a radiation chamber (2) with an inlet and an outlet for the component which is to have a coating hardened, and a radiation area, e.g. an electron beam or ultra violet light area. The inlet region (3) and/or the outlet region (4) is in the form of an inert gas lock (15, 16), and has an outer mangle tube and an inner mantle, with a gap between them. The annular gap has an inert gas supply connection. The inert gas is e.g. carbon dioxide, a noble gas, nitrogen, or a gas containing one of these gases.

DE 201 20 719 U1	March 13, 2003	The UV irradiation system (1) comprises a UV irradiation unit (2) and an object carrier (14) which jointly form an irradiation chamber provided with means (10, 11) respectively for introduction of carbon dioxide gas into the chamber and for evacuation of air from it.
DE 100 51 109 C1	April 25, 2002	A tower-shaped radiation chamber (4) contains the irradiation units (6, 7) in the top, with parts entrance and exit (2, 3) low down. The gas line (10) connects an inert gas source (9) to the upper section (5) of the irradiation chamber, for continuous supply. The inlet region (2) has a gas nozzle directing a jet of inert gas onto the parts (24) entering. There is an inert gas lock (13) or inert gas curtain (21) at inlet and outlet. The irradiation unit can be adjusted and fixed in its position. It exchanges data with a control point (28), permitting its adjustment in position and/or intensity and/or radiation duration, in accordance with the nature of parts to be treated.

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